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TO: Members of the State Board of Education

FROM: Thomas A. Desjardin, Acting Commissioner*

DATE: February 11, 2015

SUBJECT: Consideration of the University of Maine at Machias Program Review Team Report of Findings

BACKGROUND: A state program approval visit to the University of Maine at Machias was conducted November 30 – December 3, 2014 for the purpose of reviewing the following professional educator preparation programs:

Major - Elementary Education (K-8) – Concentration in English/Language Arts, Environmental Literacy (Life Sciences), and Community Engaged Learning (Social Studies).

Major - Secondary Education (7-12) - Concentration in Art, English, Life or Physical Science, Social Studies, or Mathematics

Minor - Secondary Education (7-12) – Major in Art, English, Life or Physical Science, or Social Science.

Alternative Route to Certification Programs:

- Elementary Education Teacher Certification (K-8)
- Secondary Education Teacher Certification (7-12) in Art, English, History, Life or Physical Science, Social Studies, or Mathematics.
- Special Education Teacher Certification (K-8 or 7-12)

Following the on-site visit, the Review Team's Report of Findings was prepared which included commendations, program recommendations, and a recommendation for State program approval status. Copies of the University of Maine at Machias Self-Study Report and the Review Team's Report of Findings were received by the Board during the Board's January 14, 2015 meeting.

RECOMMENDATION: That the State Board of Education vote to accept the Review Team's Report of Findings and to grant full five-year state program approval for the University of Maine at Machias teacher certification program. The period of state program approval would be from Fall, 2014 to Fall, 2019.

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